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BOARD OF PLUMBING AND HVACR EXAMINERS

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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: BOARD OF PLUMBING & HVACR EXAMINERS

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon

MINUTES APPROVED: November 1, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT

Charles Robbins, Professional Member, President Frank Beebe, Professional Member John Mills, Professional Member Craig Tenaro, Professional Member James Anderson, Public Member Matthew Reilly, Professional Member Sheila Littleton, Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

John Brady, Public Member Harold Caswell, Professional Member, Vice President

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Kevin Maloney, Deputy Attorney General Latonya Brown, Administrative Specialist II

OTHERS PRESENT

Mink Hindt, Envirotemp, LLC. Chuck Davidson, DPH RC Williams, Pyramid PHVAC Mohammad Gul, Pyramid PHVAC Chad Palmer, RML Plumbing

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Robbins called the meeting to order at 8:49 am.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to approve the September 13, 2016 minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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Proposed to Deny Hearing

M. Weiss Gul, Master HVACR

The PTD hearing for Mr. Gul went on record at 9:31 a.m., with an introduction of the board members. Mr. Gul was sworn in at 9:33 a.m., along with his supervisor, Mr. Williams. Mr. Gul and Mr. Williams presented the board with an explanation regarding his past experiences and work history with Pyramid PHVAC. At 9:44 a.m. the board went into deliberations. The hearing resumed at 9:48 a.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Tenaro, seconded by Mr. Mills, to approve Mr. Gul to take the Master HVACR Bypass Exam. The motion carried unanimously.

Chad Palmer, Master Plumber

The PTD hearing for Mr. Palmer went on record at 9:51 a.m., with an introduction of the board members. Mr. Palmer was sworn in at 9:54 a.m. Mr. Palmer presented the board with an explanation regarding his past experiences. At 9:58 a.m. the board went into deliberation. The hearing resumed at 10:02 a.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to approve Mr. Palmer's reciprocity application. The motion carried unanimously.

Re-Review of Applications

Paul Marino, Master HVACR

A motion was made by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Reilly, to approve Mr. Marino to take the Master HVACR exam. The motion carried unanimously.

Benjamin Shumaker

A motion was made by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to table the Master HVACR application of Benjamin Shumaker. The motion carried unanimously.

Dominic Frangelli

A motion was made by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to table the Master HVACR application of Dominic Frangelli. The motion carried unanimously.

Irvin DeMark

A motion was made by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to table the Master HVACR application of Irvin DeMark. The motion carried unanimously.

Review and Signing of the Order

Russell DeFuria, Master HVACR Restricted

The Board reviewed and signed the Order.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Examination Applications- HVACR

A motion was made by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Tenaro, to propose to deny the Master HVACR application of Todd Good. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Tenaro, to approve Jeffrey Harris to take the Master HVACR exam. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Examination Applications- Plumbing

A motion was made by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to approve Vincent Giovannozzi to take the Master Plumber Exam. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Robbins, seconded by Ms. Littleton, to approve Joseph Shub to take the Master Plumber Exam. The motion carried unanimously.

Ratification of Applications

A motion was made by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Tenaro, to ratify the applications of:

- Arthur Stephen, MD, Master HVACR
- Jonathan Emerson, MD, Master HVACR

The motion carried unanimously.

Legislative Update

Mr. Maloney advised the Board of the next legislative session that convenes in January 2017. A response is to be presented to him no later than November 14th in regards to the draft legislation, letter of support and contact information of those on the legislative committee.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Mike White

Mr. White inquired if a licensed plumber is needed to test and inspect Backflow prevention devices. The board responded that they do not have the authority to issue advisory opinions. They suggested that Mr. White seek the legal opinion of private counsel as to the applicability of the language of the statute and regulations.

Letter from Terrance Webb

Mr. Webb sent a letter inquiring that the board review his application to be grandfathered for a HVACR Restricted license. Mr. Webb explained in the letter that there was miscommunication between him and DPR regarding the receipt of his CFC card.

A motion was made by Mr. Tenaro, seconded by Mr. Mills, to approve Terrence Webb's Master HVACR Restricted application for licensure. The motion carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

Carbon Monoxide- Fire Marshall

Mr. Robbins handed out an outline of the new law HB 133 that will take effect January 1, 2017. Mr. Robbins advised that he has contacted the State Fire Marshall and that he is waiting for a call back, to see if they would require a separate certification added to the Master Plumber license.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Davidson suggested that the board consider additional license types such as a journeyman license, water treatment installers, etc. when making changes to the statute.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next board meeting will be held on January 10, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. in Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Beebe seconded Mr. Robbins, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:08 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Latonya Brown

Administrative Specialist II